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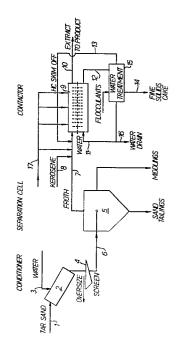
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Treatment of heterogeneous liquid materials.

(5) The invention relates to a continuous process for treatment of feed in the form of a heavy hydrocarbon-water dispersion or dispersions. The feed (7) is diluted with a hydrocarbon solvent (8) and contacted in a contactor (9) with a water stream (11). A product stream (10) containing bitumen oils and a discard stream (12) comprising water and solids are separately removed from the contactor (9).



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